



**MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AGENDA
CHESTER R. MARTIN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
15 SUMMER STREET, TAUNTON, MA 02780**

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JANUARY 5, 2021 – 7:00 PM

VIA TECHNOLOGY

City Clerk's Office

Notice of Posting

Time: 2:43 PM

Date: 12/30/2020
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**INVOCATION
ROLL CALL
RECORDS**

**OPPORTUNITY FOR INPUT BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC
CALL IN 774-406-5261**

HEARING: On the Special Permit submitted by Bradley Thomas, 368 Lincoln St. #11, Waltham, MA 02451 via technology, with the public participation phone number of 774-406-5261 to allow:

A Special Permit for a six unit multi-family use in conjunction with a place of worship at 46 Harrison Street located in the Office and Urban Residential District.

- Com. from Chairman, Taunton Planning Board – Submitting a Positive Recommendation
- Com. from City Engineer – Submitting Comments
- Com. from Chairman, Conservation Commission – Submitting Comments
- Com. from Distribution Manager, TMLP – Submitting Comments
- Com. from Water Supervisor – Submitting Comments
- Com. from Sanitary Sewer Collections System Supervisor, Veolia Water – Submitting Comments with Map and Trench Permit

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

- Community Update
- COVID-19 Update

APPOINTMENTS

- Election of Municipal Council President
- Election of Various City Officials
- Re-appointment of Jonathan Gray, 697 Cohannet Street, Taunton to the Agricultural Commission for a term of three (3) years expiring January 2024

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

Pg. 1 Com. from Executive Director of Retirement – Notifying of a Retirement

Pg. 2-3 Com. from City Solicitor – Submitting Xfinity Correspondence

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS - NONE

PETITIONS - NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

ORDERS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS

- Councilor Postell motioned to discuss speeding issues on North Walker Street

Respectfully submitted,



**Rose Marie Blackwell
City Clerk**

Hearing



TAUNTON PLANNING BOARD

1298 Cohannet Street – office address

15 Summer Street – mailing address

Taunton, Massachusetts 02780

Phone 508-821-1051

Fax 508-821-1665

Denise J. Paiva, Secretary
dpaiva@taunton-ma.gov

December 8, 2020

Honorable Shaunna L. O'Connell and
Members of the Municipal Council
15 Summer St., City Hall
Taunton, MA 02780

C/O Rosemarie Blackwell, City Clerk

RE: Special Permit – 46 Harrison Street

Dear Mayor O'Connell and Members of the Municipal Council:

Please be advised that on December 3, 2020 the Taunton Planning Board reviewed the Special Permit proposal for a 6 Unit Multi-family use in conjunction with a Place of Worship at 46 Harrison Street submitted by Bradley Thomas, 368 Lincoln St., #11, Waltham, Ma.

The Planning Board voted (6 members in favor, 1 member absent)\ to forward **POSITIVE** recommendation on the Special Permit at 46 Harrison Street with the following conditions:

1. Designated parking spaces for the residential use.
2. Add walkway to entrance to the House of Worship.
3. Add No Parking Signs along the entire frontage of property (along Winthrop St. & Harrison St.)

Attached are department comments from the City Engineer, Conservation Commission, TMLP, Water Dept., and Veolia Water.

Hearing

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert P. Campbell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'R' and a distinct 'P'.

Robert P. Campbell, Chairman
Taunton Planning Board

Hearing



CITY of TAUNTON
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ENGINEERING DIVISION
90 Ingell Street
Taunton, Massachusetts 02780-3507
Phone: 508-821-1027, Fax: 508-821-1336
mpatneau@taunton-ma.gov

Michael P. Patneau, P.E.
City Engineer

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Kevin Scanlon, City Planner
FROM: Michael P. Patneau, P.E., City Engineer
CC: Bob Campbell and the Taunton Planning Board
DATE: November 19, 2020
RE: Special Permit – 46 Harrison Street

The Engineering Office has reviewed the plan submitted as part of the Special Permit for property at 46 Harrison Street and has the following comments:

- The existing sewer service location needs to be identified as well as its connection to the sewermain to determine its condition.
- Site topography and drainage review comments will be reserved until site plan submittals.
- Will there be assigned parking spaces for the residents?
- There is an ordinance for "No Parking" on Harrison Street in front of this property which may impact overflow parking options.

Hearing



City of Taunton, Massachusetts
**CONSERVATION
COMMISSION**

*OFFICE: 1298 Cohannet Street
MAILING ADDRESS: 15 Summer Street
Taunton, Massachusetts 02780*

Phone 508-821-1095 Fax 508-821-1665

Conservation Commissioners

*Steven Turner, Chair
Debbie Botellio, Vice Chair
Richard Enos
Luis Freitas
Matthew Haggerty
Marla Isaac
Jan Rego*

November 13, 2020

Robert Campbell, Chair
Members of Taunton Planning Board
15 Summer Street
Taunton, MA 02780

RE: Special Permit – 46 Harrison Street – 6 Family Use

Dear Mr. Campbell and Members of the Taunton Planning Board,

There are no Conservation issues regarding the request for a 6-unit multi-family use in conjunction with a place of worship at 46 Harrison Street and located in the Office & Urban Residential District.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email Michele Restino, Conservation Agent, at mrestino@taunton-ma.gov, or call her at 508-821-1095.

Sincerely,


Steven Turner, Chair
Taunton Conservation Commission

11-5-2020

Hearing



Serving a Public Power Community

November 2, 2020

Ms. Denise J. Paiva, Clerk
Taunton Planning Board
City Hall
15 Summer Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Dear Ms. Paiva:

We have received your Referral Form regarding a Special Permit for:

***"46 HARRISON STREET" (Special Permit for a 6 unit multi family use in
conjunction with a place of worship)***

TMLP reserves the right to comment on this project since the plan has no electrical one lines,
metering layouts or load information.

Very truly yours,

MUNICIPAL LIGHT COMMISSON
OF THE CITY OF TAUNTON

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig Foley", is written over the typed name and title.

CRAIG FOLEY
Distribution Manager

CF/mif

Denise Paiva

Hearing

From: Cathal O'Brien <cobrien@taunton-ma.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2020 6:45 PM
To: Denise Paiva
Cc: Fred; Tony Abreau; 'BRUCE EMOND'; Katherine Nunes; Katie Sousa; 'Paul Gargiulo'; Mike Prado; Mike Patneade; Teves, Aniceto; Mindy
Subject: 46 Harrison Street - Special Permit - 6 Family Use

Hi Denise,

Please see the DPW Water comments below:

- City Water is available
- DPW Water Specifications would apply including: hydrant flow testing, design, materials, installation, inspection, and approval
- DPW Permits would be required including: City Licensed Contractor, Road Opening, and or Trench
- The existing water service for the building to be demolished would need to be shut off at the corporation stop at the main in the roadway – if not being reused for the proposed domestic service
- The existing water account could be used if and when the updated service information was provided prior to occupancy

Please reply with any questions.

Thanks,
Cathal

**CITY OF TAUNTON DPW
WATER SUPERVISOR
508-821-1045**

Hearing



October 29, 2020

Fred Cornaglia
City of Taunton
Department of Public Works Commissioner
90 Ingell Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Re: Special Permit Comments -46 Harrison St

Fred:

The Previous building was demolished before a sewer cut and cap was completed.
Dorsey plumbing was our contact for the sewer cut and cap work (August 2019).
Veolia and the City Engineers office do not have a sewer as built for the previous building.
We recommend the sewer lateral be located and inspected for any issues.
The new building sanitary sewer will have to meet the City of Taunton standards and specifications.
I have attached some info for your reference

Sincerely,
Anicet Teves,
Sanitary Sewer Collections System Supervisor

Cc:

Tony Abreau, Assistant DPW Commissioner
Kevin Scanlon, City Planner
Michael Patneaude, City Engineer



City of Taunton
90 Ingell Street
Taunton, MA 02780
Department of Public Works
(508)821-1431 Fax (508)821-

30-Day Permit

Hearing

Permit Number **5431**

Date Issued: **9/5/2019**

Expiration Date: **10/5/2019**

Taunton Trench Permit

THE CITY OF TAUNTON DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, BEING THE DESIGNATED PERMITTING AUTHORITY, HAS UNDER G.L. c.82A, 520CMR 7.00 et seq., ISSUED A TRENCH PERMIT

Applicant Name **Jim Dorsey & Son**

Trench
Excavated By: **Matthew Dorsey**

(Name of firm and Licensed Hoisting Engineer)

Work Location: **46 HARRISON STREET**

(Street address of work being done)

Property Owner: **Bradley Thomas**

Brief description of proposed work:

Cut and Cap of water and sewer line due to fire. Demo permit has been approved

Dig Safe Number: **2019-341-4076**

**This Permit Shall Be Posted
In Plain View On The Site Of The Trench**

Department Of Public Works Authorization

Title

Date

[Signature]

Asst. Comm.

9/5/19

2021 Election of City Officials
for a Three-Year Term Expiring January 2024

Board of Assessors

Scott DeSantis

Board of Health

Dr. Charles Thayer
Dr. Brian Bagdasian

Clerk of Council Committees

Colleen Ellis

Sealer of Weights and Measurers

David Enos
David A. Charbonneau

2021 Election of Fish Wardens
for a One-Year Term Expiring January 2022

James Buffington
Dennis Furtado
Albert Silvia
Michael DaRosa

503 Burt Street
51 Rosewood Drive
1347 Somerset Avenue
15 Middle Street

Appointment

*City of Taunton
Office of the Mayor*

*Shaunna O'Connell
Mayor*

*Ed Correia
Chief of Staff*

*Radka Barter
Deputy Chief of Staff*

*Gill E Enos
Budget Director*



*City Hall
15 Summer Street
Taunton, MA 02780
Tel. (508) 821-1000*

January 5, 2021

Honorable Members of the Taunton Municipal Council
15 Summer Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Dear Honorable Members of the Taunton Municipal Council,

Please be advised that I am re-appointing Jonathan Gray of 697 Cohannet Street, Taunton to serve on the Agricultural Commission for a term of three years which will expire January 2024.

Mr. Gray holds a Certificate in Sustainable Food & Farming from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture, and a Master's degree in Sustainability Science from UMass Amherst. He currently serves as the Office Manager for the Zoning Board of Appeals in the Town of Dighton and serves as a member of the Rural Caucus of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District.

Mr. Gray is the original author of the ordinance forming the Taunton Agricultural Commission in 2018 and has served as a member of the Commission since January 2019. He has served as the Chair of the Agricultural Commission since January 2019.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Mayor Shaunna O'Connell



CITY OF TAUNTON
Contributory Retirement System

104 Dean St., Suite 203
Taunton, Massachusetts 02780
(508) 821-1052
Fax (508) 821-1063

**BOARD OF
RETIREMENT**

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ASSISTANT

DIRECTOR

Karen Medeiros

December 28, 2020

Hon. Shaunna O'Connell, Mayor
Taunton Municipal Council
15 Summer St., City Hall
Taunton, MA 02780

Dear Mayor O'Connell and Councilors:

Please be advised of the retirement for Superannuation of Michael Perry, an employee of the Taunton Fire Department, on January 2, 2021 under the provisions set forth in Section #5 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws of Massachusetts and also pursuant to special home-rule legislation Chapter 204 of the Acts of 2020-An Act Classifying the Taunton Fire Department Mechanic Michael Perry in Connection with the Determination of Retirement Benefits. Mr. Perry's creditable service in the retirement system will total 21 years and 1 month.

Please pay regular compensation and accumulated benefits up to January 1, 2021.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Respectfully yours,

Paul J. Slivinski, CPP
Executive Director

cc: M. Perry
T. Bradshaw, Fire Chief
Treasurer
Auditor
HR
City Clerk
file

retirement letter



City of Taunton

LAW DEPARTMENT

15 Summer Street

Taunton, Massachusetts 02780

Phone (508) 821-1036 Facsimile (508) 821-1397



Shaunna O'Connell

MAYOR

David T. Gay, Esq.

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Matthew J. Costa, Esq.

FIRST ASST. CITY SOLICITOR

Mark S. Gould, Jr., Esq.

SECOND ASST. CITY SOLICITOR

Thomas P. Gay, Jr., Esq.

SPECIAL ASST. CITY SOLICITOR

December 29, 2020

Barry Sanders, Council President
Members of the Municipal Council
City of Taunton
City Hall
15 Summer Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Dear Council President Sanders and Members of the Municipal Council:

Please find enclosed communication recently received by the City from Xfinity dated December 16, 2020 (Re: Programming Changes & Municipal Emergency Reporting Procedures). The portion of the letter concerning municipal emergency reporting procedures is not included with this letter since it is not for public dissemination. Information for emergency reporting has been provided to Paul Arikian and Greg Glyn.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

David T. Gay, City Solicitor

DTG/tmg

Enclosure

CC: Paul Arikian, IT Director (via e-mail with copy of complete notice)
Mr. Greg Glyn (via e-mail with copy of complete notice)



December 16, 2020

City Attorney
City of Taunton
141 Oak Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Re: Programming Changes & Municipal Emergency Reporting Procedures

Dear City Attorney:

We are committed to keeping you and our customers informed about Xfinity TV services. Accordingly, please note the following which is being provided to customers via bill message:

On December 8, 2020, the following channel changes occurred: Sportsman HD was added to More Sports & Entertainment; Discovery Life HD was added to Digital Preferred; CSPAN2 HD was added to Limited Basic; Jewish Broadcasting Service (JBS) HD and CSPAN3 HD was added to Sports & News and Expanded Basic; EWTN HD was added to Kids & Family and Expanded Basic; and TBN HD was added to Limited Basic. Channels require HD Technology Fee and X1 TV or compatible customer owned device.

Also, in our effort to better assist our municipal customers, attached are the emergency reporting procedures for certain outside plant and service problems. Please note the emergency reporting procedure information **IS NOT** for public dissemination

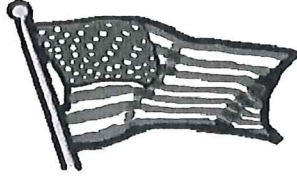
Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at Gerry_Buckley@cable.comcast.com.

Very truly yours,

Gerry Buckley

Gerry Buckley, Sr. Director
Government Affairs

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TAUNTON, MA

CITY CLERK

JANUARY 5, 2020

HONORABLE SHAUNNA L. O'CONNELL, MAYOR
COUNCIL PRESIDENT BARRY C. SANDERS
AND MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

PLEASE NOTE: THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2021 AT 6:30 P.M. AT TAUNTON CITY HALL, 15 SUMMER STREET, TAUNTON, MA, 02780 IN THE CHESTER R. MARTIN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

THE COMMITTEES MAY OR MAY NOT BE MEETING REMOTELY

6:30 P.M.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

1. MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS
2. MEET TO REVIEW REQUESTS FOR FUNDING
3. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

PLEASE NOTE: A "MEETING" OF THE ENTIRE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, AS SAID TERM IS DEFINED IN MASS. GEN. L. C. 30A, §18 MAY OCCUR CONCURRENTLY WITH THIS COMMITTEE MEETING

Respectfully,

Colleen M. Ellis
Clerk of Council Committees